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July 14, 1978

Mr. Robert E. Covington  
Hiko Bell Mining and Oil Company, Inc.  
P.O. Drawer  
Vernal, Utah 84078

Re: Tentative Approval  
Ute-32 Gilsonite Mine  
ACT/047/008

Dear Mr. Covington:

The Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining has reviewed the Mining and Reclamation Plan for Ziegler Chemical and Mineral Corporation's Ute-32 Gilsonite Mine and has received comment from the Environmental Coordinating Committee and the Board of Oil, Gas, and Mining. Tentative approval of the plan is hereby issued to Ziegler Chemical and Mineral Corporation for the Ute-32 Mine.

A condensed version of the plan will be published one time only in local newspapers and a Salt Lake City, Utah paper of general circulation for the purpose of public notice. If no objections of substance are received by the Division after a thirty (30) day period, final approval will be issued for the operation upon receipt of the reclamation surety.

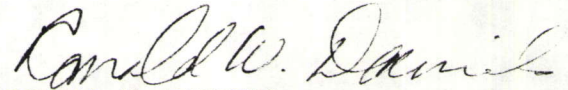
The \$4,489.70 surety computed for the initial period covered by the Declaration of Exemption should be sufficient for the proposed operation if reclamation of abandoned areas occurs as new areas are developed. However, the bond may be recomputed if conditions warrant. As a reminder, no work can commence before the bond is received, which has not yet occurred. Surety should be posted with the Utah Division of State Lands.



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If you have any questions please feel free to call. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ronald W. Daniels".

RONALD W. DANIELS  
COORDINATOR OF MINED LAND DEVELOPMENT

RWD/sp  
cc: Mr. Frank Godina  
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